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POLLUTION REPORT

## I. HEADING

Date: March 17, 1997

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POLREP No.: POLREP 12

## II. BACKGROUND

Site No.:

A537

Response Authority:

CERCLA

CERCLIS No.:

MID 052 500 261

NPL Status:

No

Start Date:

November 4, 1996

Completion Date:

N/A

## III. SITE INFORMATION

A. Incident Category Fund Lead Removal Action at the J. E. Berger Site.B. Site Description and Location

## 1. Site location

The J.E. Berger (JEB) site is located at 5300 Bellevue Street in Detroit, Michigan in a mixed commercial and residential area. The geographical coordinates for the site are 42 22'26.7" North latitude and 83 01'40.4" West longitude. The area of concern (AOC [5300 Bellevue Street]) is a small portion of interconnecting warehouses that were part of the Packard Automobile Plant until the late 1940's. The building's interior is contaminated with PCBs.

Please refer to the initial POLREP for more detailed information.

#### IV. RESPONSE INFORMATION

##### A. Situation

###### 1. Current situation

Most of the facility floors have been planed (with concrete surface removal equipment). Sewer lines inside facility jetted and water pumped for disposal.

###### 2. Removal activities to date

On 3-10-97, Begin sewer jetting. Approximately 255 feet completed. Approximately 900 gallons of water collected and stored in poly tank. Prewipe samples of vac truck and hoses taken.

On 3-11-97, Complete sewer jetting. Post wipe samples of vac truck, hoses, and sewer water taken and shipped for analysis. Begin tile removal on second floor.

On 3-12-97, Complete tile removal on second floor and load tiles into roll-off box for disposal. Vacuum standing water. Continue planing, sweeping, and vacuuming concrete floor.

On 3-13-97, Vacuum standing water from snow melt. Continue planing, sweeping, and vacuuming concrete floor.

On 3-14-97, Vacuum large amounts of standing water in warehouse and decon area due to ice and rainstorm.

##### B. Planned Removal Activities and Next Steps

1. Continue removal of contaminated concrete surfaces using concrete planers.
2. Decontaminate additional building surfaces, as necessary.
3. Confirm decontamination through analytical sampling.

##### C. Key Issues

Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) has completed investigation of the facility sewers and determined that there is no threat of site related contamination to city sanitary sewers.

Five transformers have been confirmed to contain PCBs ranging from 2-72 ppm. The Enforcement team has noticed the Trust (property owner): their attorneys are investigating the possibility of generating income to pay for disposal of transformer fluids.

#### V. COST INFORMATION

Costs as of 3-14-97.

	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Spent</u>	<u>Remaining</u>
U.S. EPA	\$ 73,500	\$ 51,347.50	\$ 22,152.50
START \$ 52,500		\$ 35,241.50	\$ 17,258.50
ERCS	\$650,000	\$ 548,283.22	\$ 101,716.78
USCG	\$ 35,000	\$ 23,596.02	\$ 11,403.98
	<u>\$811,000</u>	<u>\$ 658,468.24</u>	<u>\$ 152,531.76</u>

Percent of project funds remaining = 18.8%

NOTE: The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The OSC does not necessarily receive specific figures on final payments made to any contractor(s). Other financial data, which the OSC must rely upon, may not be entirely up-to-date. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.

#### VI. DISPOSITION OF WASTES

To date, 33 loads of PCB-contaminated debris have been shipped to the CWM facility in Model City, New York for disposal.

To date, 14 loads of non-hazardous debris have been shipped to the City Disposal Systems facility in Detroit, Michigan for disposal.

To date, 6,107 gallons of decon water have been shipped to the City Environmental facility in Detroit Michigan for disposal.

To date, one freon cylinder has been shipped to Golden Refrigerant Detroit in Wayne, Michigan for disposition.

To date, 551 gallons of flammable liquids have been shipped to the Michigan Recovery Systems facility in Romulus, Michigan for disposal.

To date, five yards of asbestos containing material have been shipped to the BFI facility in Wayne, Michigan for disposal.

To date, one oxygen cylinder has been picked up by BOC Gases located in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

To date, one oxygen cylinder has been picked up by Smith Welding Supply & Equipment Co., Inc. located in Detroit, Michigan.

To date, 135 gallons of corrosive liquids, 800 pounds of corrosive solids, and 350 gallons of roofing tar have been shipped to the Envotech facility in Belleville, Michigan for disposal.

To date, 250 gallons of paint related materials have been shipped to Michigan Recovery Systems in Romulus, Michigan for disposal.

To date, 80 pounds of aerosols, 20 pounds of Ammonia solutions, and 350 pounds of Latex paint have been shipped to the Environmental Services of America, Inc. facility in South Bend, Indiana for disposal.

To date, 1,753 pounds of PCB fluorescent light ballasts have been shipped to the Environmental Recycling facility in Toledo, Ohio for disposal.

To date, 809 Kilograms of PCB capacitors have been shipped to the Aptus, Inc. facility in Lakeville, Minnesota for disposal.

To date, 340 pounds of low level mercury debris have been shipped to the Michigan Disposal, Inc. facility in Belleville, Michigan for disposal.

To date, 504 pounds of mercury debris and meters/tubes have been shipped to the Mercury Refining Company facility in Albany, New York for disposal.